

March 10, 2021 Council Meeting

A work session meeting of the Council of the City of Martinsville, Virginia was convened on March 10, 2021 in Council Chambers, Municipal Building, at 5:30 PM with Mayor Kathy Lawson presiding. Other Council Members present included Danny Turner, Jennifer Bowles, Tammy Pearson and Chad Martin. Staff present included City Manager Leon Towarnicki, Assistant City Manager/City Attorney Eric Monday, Clerk of Council Karen Roberts, Assistant Finance Director Mandy McGee, and Finance Director Linda Conover.

Mayor Lawson called the meeting to order and advised Council would go into Closed Session beginning at 5:30 PM. In accordance with section 2.1-344 (A) Code of Virginia (1950, and as amended) and upon a motion by Council Member Turner, seconded by Vice Mayor Bowles with the following 4-0 recorded vote: Vice Mayor Bowles, aye; Council Member Martin, aye; Council Member Turner, aye; and Mayor Lawson, aye. Council Member Pearson joined Closed Session later. Council convened in Closed Session to discuss the following matters: (A) Consultation with legal counsel and briefings by staff members, attorneys or consultants pertaining to actual or probable litigation, or other specific legal matters requiring the provision of legal advice by such counsel including litigation discussions with Henry County PSA, as authorized by Subsection 7. At the conclusion of Closed Session, each returning member of Council certified that (1) only public business matters exempt from open meeting requirements were discussed in said Closed Session; and (2) only those business matters identified in the motion convening the Closed Session were heard, discussed, or considered during the meeting. A motion was made by Vice Mayor Bowles; seconded by Council Member Martin, with the following 5-0 recorded vote in favor to return to Open Session: Mayor Lawson, aye; Council Member Martin, aye; Vice Mayor Bowles, aye; Council Member Turner, aye; and Council Member Pearson, aye.

There being no further business, Vice Mayor Bowles made a motion to adjourn the meeting; the motion was seconded by Council Member Martin with all Council Members voting in favor. The meeting adjourned at 7:55pm.

Karen Roberts
Clerk of Council

Kathy Lawson
Mayor